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QUARTERLY REPORT

by Merissa Sherrill Lynn

The first thing to talk about is the Tapestry itself. If you haven't noticed, the Tapestry is in a constant state of evolution. It just keeps growing, from infancy towards maturity. The Tapestry has now grown to the 'little kid' stage. (One of the reasons I never became a Mommie is because I can't stand little kids.) It is still almost totally dependent on the Tiffany Club for its guidance and survival. It's expensive, time consuming, and a tremendous drain on Tiffany's manpower and resources. Yet, despite all its trouble, the Tapestry has taken its first steps towards financial independence, and is well on its way towards growing up. So, as with any little kid we can hate it an love it at the same time, but we will not desert it. We will continue to nurture it until it realizes its potential.

Because of its overwhelming cost in time and money, we will be publishing the Tapestry on a quarterly basis. Also, to keep our members better informed (without having to rely on the Tapestry), we will be sending out notices and fliers on a monthly basis. We think this way we will be able to concentrate on improving the quality of the Tapestry, improve our communications with the membership, and (hopefully) keep our costs down.

In the last report I brought you up to date till mid-October. A few things have happened since then. One of the things that has occured is Fantasia Fair.

Fantasia Fair is a big complicated 9 day affair held in Provincetown each October. The Fair is simply too much to be covered in this brief report. Suffice it to say that the Fair is an event all crossdressers who are serious about their hobby and are interested in a true growth experience, should attend at least once. (For information concerning next year's Fantasia Fair, write: The Outreach Institute, P.O. Box 368 Kenmore Sta., Boston Ma. 02215.

Also, Outreach is offering for sale

Merissa Sherrill Lynn
Executive Secretary

a photo album of the 1981 Fair. I believe the price is $15, but you had better ask to make sure.)

Tiffany's big event for October was Halloween. (I'll bet that comes as a suprise.) Last year we put 60 people in a ballroom built for 600, and this year we put 40 people in Tiffany's living room. Last year there was so much space we had to talk to each other by telephone. This year it was so crowded we could hardly move. This year was better.

Our artistic engineer, Liz, came up with some marvelous decorations (Jezebel, the only skeleton in town wearing pasties and a G-string, Jacqueline Kennedy O-Lantern, Dr. Spook and Mr. Spook, etc). The house looked terrific. So did the guests (from the little green mouse, to Harpo, to Yasser Arafat in drag). In fact this year we had more costumes than last year.

We had our traditional contest, and gave our traditional trophies. This year the winners were:

Most Outrageous: Carolyn, for her 'Baby Snooks'. (This is the second time she's won 'Most Outrageous'. Do you think the judges are trying to tell her something?)

Most Original: Liz, for her 'Disco Cleopatra'. (That's no suprise, for Liz is certainly an original, and we love her for it.)

(Best Overall: Me, for my 'Morgana'. (Iwas flattered, but personally I

Baby Snooks
'Most Outrageous'

Morgana
'Best Overall'

liked Harpo, and the little green mouse.)

(I would like to thank our judges - Rachia, Janice and Louise. They did a fine job, even if the little green mouse didn't win.)

The Halloween party, like the clambake in August, was just plain fun, but our November event, Thanksgiving, was special. It was beautiful.

I could tell you how successful the evening was, what a marvelous job Liz did with coordinating the kitchen, how delicious the dinner was, and so on. That would tell you the dinner was successful, and everyone was pleased, but won't tell you why they were pleased. I can really only speak for myself, but this is what Thanksgiving did for me.

Perhaps the one thing I treasure most about my femininity is my sense of freedom, the freedom to be me, the freedom to feel without being handicapped by my masculinity. Without that masculine curse I revel in my own natural sense of gentleness and love. I feel pride in being a woman, in being a lady, in being me. I feel happiness and peace. Most of Tiffany's events put me under a great deal of pressure. They also tend to be noisy. With the combination of pressure and noise I do not enjoy most events. I'm a private person. I crave peace. I crave opportunities to enjoy good friends in a quiet and dignified setting. To me Thanksgiving is the best event of the year. No other Tiffany event allows me so much opportunity to simply enjoy being me.

This year the tables were elegently set, and decorated with candles and flowers. I loved the flowers. The guests were beautiful, dressed for a banquet and shining with an aura of happiness. We toasted each other with sparkling white wine, and embraced each other with warm conversation and friendship. To be me, to be Merissa on such a night with such lovely friends was a joy, a memory that will last.

(For thanksgiving, special recognition goes to: Liz for her artwork, her aid in coordinating the affair, and organizing the kitchen. To Pat Wells for her help in setting up, her contribution of decorations and tableware, and helping to coordinate the cleanup. To Pat Ashley for once again being the charming hostess she usually is.)

Christmas was perhaps even more memorable than Thanksgiving, for we

Miss Patricia Ann Ashley
Tiffany Club Hostess

made this year's party a very special occasion. This year we combined our annual Christmas party with our first annual awards presentation.

As always, Christmas felt like a family affair. Charlotte brought us a gorgeous tree from her farm in Maine, and Ginny, Pat and I decorated it. Liz put her artistic expertise to work again decorating the house with wreaths, garlands, poinsettias, artificial snow, and lights. (Even nature helped with some decorative snow of its own.) Most everyone who came to the party not only brought gifts to be shared with everyone, but gifts for close friends, and what was greatly appreciated by Tiffany, gifts for the house (books for the library, tools, a fire extingusher, etc).

Liz made a gorgeous 'Sandra' Claus.

For our awards, many people have made contributions to the Tiffany Club, and it was time we recognized them. The awards were in the form of certificates of appreciation, and five major awards.

The certificates of appreciation were divided into four catagories: Commercial, Tiffany officers, members and non-members.

Certificates were presented to officers who had gone beyond their duties to help Tiffany. (The Executive Secretary was not eligible for any award, except for those voted upon by the membership.) Certificates were presented to: Ms Virginia Hunt, Ms Elizabeth Warburton, Ms Judy S., and Ms Janet Brodeur.

The members who received certificates were: Ms Dee Dee Watson, Ms Rachia Heyelman, Ms Charlotte St James, Ms Susan Reynolds, Ms Theresa Boisvert, Ms Bobbie Connelly, Ms Shiela S., Ms Willa, and Ms Sally Linder.

Certificates were presented to commercial persons who went beyond their commercial interest to serve, and support the Tiffany Club. Certificates were presented to: Ms Cindy Del Sol, Ms Elinor, Ms Carolyn, Ms Gladys Talbot and Ms Lora Green.

Certificates were presented to non-members who went beyond their role as friends, or beyond their responsibilities to their respective organizations to contribute to the Tiffany Club. Certificates were presented to: Ms Ariadne Kane, and Ms Serina Y.

Of the major awards: One award, 'Service', was presented by the Executive Secretary. Two awards, 'First Year' and 'Most Helpful' were presented by the Board of Directors. Two awards, 'Miss Tiffany' and 'Friendship', were voted on by the membership.

The Secretary's Service Award: Presented to the person who has made the most outstanding contribution to the growth and the success of the Tiffany Club. Winner: Ms Diane Berry

First Year Award; Presented by the Board of Directors to the person who has made the greatest amount of growth in skill and confidence in her first year as a member of Tiffany. Winner: Ms Patricia Ann Ashley

Most Helpful Award: Presented to the person chosen by the Board of Directors on the basis of her outstanding reliability, her contribution of time and effort and willingness to help when her help was needed. Winner: Ms Patricia Wells.

Miss Tiffany: Presented to the person chosen by the membership on the basis of her appearance, her grace, her

her aura of pride and dignity, and ladylike demeanor. Winner: Ms Elizabeth J. Warburton

Friendship Award: Presented to the person chosen by the membership on the basis of her personal warmth, charm and outgoing personality. Winner: Ms Elizabeth J. Warburton

For New Year's, the crew went to the Metro (a large Boston Disco). I stayed home, wrapped myself in a nice warm blanket and enjoyed a delightfully quiet evening. The crew came back from 'enjoying' an evening of crowds, noise, smoke and booze, with bleary eyes and aching heads trying to tell me what a wonderful time they had. I smiled my most compassionate smile, and went back to my comfort and nice warm blanket.

Concluding 'State Of The Club' message: As you may have already observed, December and January have

Miss Patricia Ashley being presented the 'First Year' award for 1981

given us some pretty outrageous weather. The economy hasn't been particularly nice to us either. As a result, Tiffany has suffered. Our fuel and electric bills have skyrocketed, and our membership income has plummeted. In short, we are in trouble. When we planned our Frebruary

Ms Elizabeth Warburton voted 'Miss Tiffany 1981', and the 'Friendship' award for 1981

raffle last November, we thought the proceeds would go towards obtaining our tax exempt status. Now it looks like the proceeds will go to pay our oil bill. How unromantic.

Basically though, Tiffany continues to grow. Our membership is now well over 300, our programs are becoming more and more diversivified, and the Tapestry is inching towards its objective, with is to be a tasteful, informative, and professionally done magazine.

Now we not only have a grow-ing club, and a developing magazine, but we have founded the NACD, an independent investment corporation designed to serve the TV/TS Community. (I'm the Exec Sec of Tiffany, the Editor of the Tapestry, and the President of NACD. One might suspect that I'm fairly busy. If you think I'm going bananas now, wait till you see me in a few months.) It's not that I have too much to do you understand, but whenever anyone offers to help, I break into joyous tears. Rachia Heyelman and Virginia Hunt have offered to help.

Rachia, a post-op TS, and Ginny, a pre-op TS, have offered to coordinate transsexual affairs. That means that they, not me, get to take care of the TS mail, keep tabs on and maintain communication with the various services and organizations, coordinate the TS Special Interest meetings, etc. Now all I need to do is find somebody willing to do the same for the Tri Ess people, be the coordinator for programs and

activities, handle memberships and keep the various mailing lists straight, work on the Tapestry (typing, selling advertising, keep 'Coming Events' up to date, etc.), do the bookkeeping and taxes, and on and on ad infinitum. HELP!!

(Finding a nice rich person willing to donate a word processor, computer, a self-correcting typewriter, two four drawer locking filing cabinets and an office xerox, wouldn't hurt either.)

Talk to you all again soon.

Love,

Merissa Sherrill Lynn

THE HALCYON SOCIETY

The Rhode Island Chapter News

by Janet Brodeur

November: We are pleased to be able to say that the Halcyon Society has been holding it's own very well! With a steady attendance record each month plus a continuing supply of mail and phone inquiries, the consensus is that the prospects are indeed very favorable for a successful chapter here in Rhode Island!

On November 6th Halcyon found itself in the Big Apple, New York City. It was a delightful day, literally a breath of fresh air for us. (Can you believe I'm talking about NYC?) Seriously, being a part of the hustle and bustle, the crowded streets and the seemingly never ending parade of people, we were constantly amazed with all the sights and sounds of the Big City. A major highlight of the day was a visit to Lee Brewster's Mardi Gras Boutique on 10th Avenue.

From Lee's we then hit the biggies in town (Sak's, B. Altman, Lord & Taylor, etc.) and were completely taken in by the overwhelming presence of high fashion all around us. If nothing else, it was very evident that New York women are not afraid to dress up and look feminine. It was inspiriting!!! Then after a fine dinner on Time Square it was time to bid adeau to the Big Apple and once again return to our own little piece of reality.

December: Just like the Yule Tide song goes: "Oh the weather outside is frightful, but the fire is so delightful; and since we've no place to go, let it

Ms Janet Brodeur
Coordinator
Halcyon Society

snow, let it snow, let it snow!" That's exactly what it did do on December 5th the night of our Christmas gathering at Rhonda's Providence home. Arrangeing for the snowfall was indeed the hardest part of the planning process for the evening - perhaps we went a bit too far though with fifteen to eighteen inches of the stuff, still a pleasant time was had by the fireside for those hearty souls that casted fear to the wind and braved the storm! Heart-filled thanks go forth to Rhonda for hosting the affair and for providing good company and proving what the Halcyon spirit is all about; and finally to Dodie for adding the final touch of charm and grace the evening needed.

Our little trip to 'Wardrobes By Carolyn' was a huge success. It was a fine afternoon literally spent browsing through an entire stockroom just filled with all the finer things in a TV's life. Carolyn's boutique is very impressive, as well as a lot of fun.

In January we will be trying to expand our gatherings to include various week nights throughout the month. Our regular monthly meeting will still be held on the first Saturday of each month like always, however Betsy has informed us that she will be making every effort to be available on the 1st Monday, 2nd Tuesday, 3rd Wednesday and 4th Thursday of each month should anyone feel like getting together at her home to relax, talk or whatever.

January: The Halcyon Spirit is very much alive and well here in RhodeIsland. Just ask anyone who showed up for the Society's Day after New Years' party held again at Rhonda's. This was indeed our best monthly turnout since the Society began last May. For sure one of the highlights of the night was having Paula Neilsen join us for an evening full of enjoyable storytelling and reminiscing back to the 'good old days.'

In four very short months the Halcyon Society will be celebrating its first anniversary. Efforts are now being made to compile something of a family scrap book which will hopefully record for posterity our development over the past year and most importantly, pay homage to our membership. If you have any ideas, interesting stories or experiences you've encountered, anything at all that you would like to contribute to this project, send it in please!!!

- Janet -

FICTION

"MARTIN'S ROSE"

by Khalil

Today was Martin's twenty-sixth birthday and he was in a great mood. The joyous shouts of children at play, jolted him out of his intimate dreamland as he passed the playground. He was always somewhat elated after his frequent shopping sprees, and would spend much of the remainder of his day thinking about the 'other side' of himself; the secret side.

He worked as a security guard at the City Museum, and he welcomed the opportunity to shed his constricting

uniform for attire that was much softer and more beautiful.

There was a side of Martin that no one else knew about; a side that was delicate, sensitive and ultra-feminine. He called this side of himself Rose.

Martin shared a two bedroom apartment with his brother Steven. The two of them were the best of friends and they always got along fine. Their living arrangement suited Martin perfectly. Steven was out of the apartment a lot, and Martin took advantage of the time alone to extend himself as Rose.

Today, as he unlocked the door of the apartment, he could hardly wait for the chance to put on the new lingerie he'd bought, as a birthday gift to himself.

He quickly stripped of his guard uniform and indulged himself in a long hot bath. He'd added fragrent luxurious bath oil that soothed and massaged his tired body. As he surrendered to the lethargic effect of the warm wetness, he imagined that he had the courage to venture, as Rose, to a large and popular restaurant. In his fantasy Rose strolled graciously into the place and her comeliness caused many a head to turn in unconcealed admiration. Her hair fell, loose and carefree onto her shoulders as she sat, refined, with her slender legs crossed.

The bath water had begun to cool and he opened his eyes...suddenly remembering the time. He stepped, reluctantly, from the tub.

There were times when he was so profoundly into Rose, that he would stand for hours before his mirror, posing in some sheer, lacy negligee and three inch heels. The transformation from Martin to Rose always facinated him and he would stand before his mirror, basking in the enchantment derived from the image he saw before him. The thin silkiness of the fabric would rub his body, sensuously, and he would be carnally aroused, as he lost himself in his rapturous delirium.

Now, as he again stood before the mirror, he felt that familiar excitement return. His wig was dark auburn, soft and wispy curls that perfectly framed his face and cascaded down the nape of his neck. He wore baby-blue lacy bra and panties, a matching see-through peignoir and glamorous high heeled slippers, designed primarily for erotic dressing. His makeup had been flawlessly applied. He was beautiful; he was Rose.

He was about to turn on some music as he usually did, when without warning he heard the key in the lock. Before he had time to do anything, Steven came in, whistling mrrily and carrying a large brown bag.

"Martin," he called, without looking up, "I'm home." Steven sat the bag on the sofa and had begun walking towards the kitchen, when he saw Martin, dressed completely feminine. The both stood, staring at each other; speechless. Steven's face was blank and told nothing of what he was feeling except for surprise. Martin was terribly afraid, afraid of the thing his brother might say. "I thought you were going to Elaine's after you left work." Martin said unsteadily.

"Yeah," answered Steven quietly, "I was but I thought - I didn't know that - ," he faltered, unable to convey his thoughts. He felt awkward seeing Martin this way.

"I'm a TV, Steven," Martin started.

"What?"

"A transvestite. I'm sorry I hid it from you, but I though you wouldn't understand. I'm still the same Martin you always knew, it's just that I have this overpowering desire to dress as a woman, I call myself Rose. It is something that I have to do to be complete." He sid nothing more, but his eyes silently asked, "Can you understand?"

"Okay," said Steven slowly, quietly, "Okay, if that's what you need." He returned to the sofa, and brought the large bag to his brother. "Happy birthday...Rose," he said, smiling timidly, as he handed it to him.

In the bag, was a beautiful painting of a bird, so-aring free, from an iron cage.

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AN ULTIMATE TV EXPERIENCE

by Kathy H. (Pa.)

It was on my mind for months. How to ask her if I could. I wrestled with it what seemed like forever. Finally, I sat down with her to learn her feelings.

Is your curiosity aroused yet?

The her is my wife Ann Marie, the kind of gal every TV dreams of marrying. The subject? MODELING SCHOOL! Believe it.

I couldn't think of a better way to learn feminine mannerisms, build self confidence, master makeup and improve oneself than to attend modeling school. I frequently admired their photos in area papers and thought of dozens of ways to approach the school.

It literally took forever one night for me to spring my desires on my wife. I finally blurted it out, "What would you say to me attending modeling school?" Needless to say, she had oodles of questions. Then came a resounding "Yes...go ahead!"

The next day I called a school that was relatively new, having been formed a little over a year ago by former Barbizon instructors. I spoke to the director using a female impersonator approach...that I performed occasionally en femme and wanted help in learning feminine mannerisms. Without a flinch, she set up an appointment the following day for me to come in as my male self to discuss exactly what I wanted with the school's owner.

I brought my photo album along and journeyed the four miles from my home. After taking a few deep breaths, I climbed the two flights of stairs to the third floor studio.

Donna Marie, the director, met me at the door and let me through the hallway to the owners office. Meanwhile, my eyes were gawking at the goreous gals in the various classrooms. Talk about being distracted!

After a brief introduction, I spent the better part of a half hour explaining transvestism as best I could, showing her the Tri Ess PR piece and other related articles. She was quite impressed with my photo album commenting, "Some of these gals look better than our students."

Ms Kathy H.

Super person, right?

She agreed to accept me as a student.

The director then took me through the classrooms, explaining what we'll learn in each. We agreed to begin class the following Saturday for eight consecutive weeks, 2½ to 3 hour sessions.

Classes are held to a maximum of four students to allow for personalized attention. Because of the uniqueness of my situation, the director checked with others scheduled to begin class if they'd have any objection to having a female imersonator in their class. Several did, but she did find three others who agreed to try having me in their class.

My orientation was a solo with the director. I can still remember her first statement. "A woman is as a woman does. Whenever you attend class, you're to be Kathy. At home, you're to practice and spend as much time being Kathy as possible."

I kept thinking...what did I get myself into? Should I bail out? Heck no! This was an experience and challenge to grow with.

At orientation, poor Donna Marie was more nervouse than I. I wore my blue pant coat dress, 2½" heels, had my hair done at the beauty salon and was scared to death. A weekly log is kept on each student. First step was critiquing of what I was wearing. I

f-ared well on this. Only my necklace was too heavy for my outfit. She took my measurements. Even with my full length girdle on, I had no waist. Donna was all fingers...really had a tough time in my presence. I tried to reassure her...I didn't expect miracles and the like.

First session comments: "Kathy was very heavy and very tall. Needed a great deal of work. Her makeup was terrible."

Some start huh?

Not to be detered, I made up my mind that I was gonna' give this my best shot. Session I came! I spent a few minutes telling my classmates about myself. All were in awe. After all, one was twelve, the two others fourteen. Diane, an outgoing 14 year old, took a liking to me quickly. She liked my hairstyle once she found out it was my own. The initial session dealt with makeup, correct skin care technique and makeup application with emphasis on increasing self awareness and self esteem. The session passed all too quickly.

We critiqued one another on makeup, clothes, etc. Very constructive! After class, the director wrote, "Makeup--100% improvement!" One star for Kathy.

Sessions two through eight were much easier on Donna Marie. "Kathy was a very nice person...very good student. Quite eager! Once I got to know the problems (excess weight, slouching, the like), I then knew how to help," commented Donna Marie.

Outlining the curriculum, session two dealt with wardrobe and accessories, looking like a model, selecting and coordinating clothing, color, style and accessories plus fashion modeling one--an introduction to fashion shows, runway techniques and dance modeling.

Session three: Makeup II. Applying makeup for professional use. Basic contouring. Hair care and styling. Nail care and manicure. After this session Donna said, "I wasn't sure I had done my job, but I began to see the improvements and changes." By now, my classmates were all comfortable with Kathy and couldn't do enough to assist me.

Session four: Posture, diet and exercise. Controlling your weight, body sculpting techniques, posture perfection. Photographic modeling one. Basic techniques of photo posing taught by a professional photographer.

Session five: Fashion modeling II. Informal modeling and showmanship. Developing poise and self confidence.

Session six: Photographic modeling II. An actual posing session with a professional photographer.

Session seven: Makeup III. Review. Questions and answers. Wardrobe and accessories II...review. Photographic modeling II...critique of photos taken at last session. Review.

Session eight: Fashion modeling III. Review. Career guidance. Opportunities in modeling, big city and locally.

Writing a resume. Learning the models vocabulary. Interview techniques. The importance of your portfolio. Do's and don'ts. Getting ready for graduation.

Just mastering the models stance, walk, etc. was a challenge in heels. We had dozens of good laughs to say the least. They'd tease the heck out of me, especially my voice. Being nervous, it'd drop from a high pitch to a bass in the middle of a sentance.

At home it was prctice, practice and more practice. Walking, picking up, reaching, etc.

I even learned to love jazzercise, my favorite class. The instructor has a sculptured body that was at least a 10. Just super! We'd really laugh during the bust exercises. Overall exhausting, but very beneficial.

During the weeks, my wife joined in my self improvement program, exercising with me, taking hints on what I learned... becoming closer to Kathy than ever before. What more could I ask for?

All too soon, the weeks passed. All the courses were completed.

Time for Kathy to make her debut!

At first I said absolutely not... no way. Then my classmates went to work on me. "Why not?" The coutered my every excuse. Deep down I really wanted to participate in a show, but was scared to death that I'd be recognized or read.

After much soul searching, I decided to go ahead with it under chertain conditions. I was scheduled for informal modeling during lunch time at an area club. One of the stores I shop that caters to larger sizes was involved. We thoroughly went over the details of what was coming down. The store mananger cooperated 100%

The day finally arrived! I spent a little over an hour on my makeup, making sure it was just right for my debut. I kept my appointment to have my hair done, complete with gold adornments.

I arrived an hour early so I'd have time to relax. No way! My heart was in my throat. My classmates rallied to support me.

The first dress I was to model was my favorite... a teal colored pleated party dress.

Noon arrived! The club was fairly busy. I was third to be announced. As

I strolled amongs the aisles, my director described my holiday dress, "Perfect for party going this Christmas."

I felt like the world was watching me. Unbelievably, no one read me! The only comment I heard from a middle age patron was, "She carries herself well for her size." As I returned to change, we giggled with delight to think we pulled it off.

My self confidence level soared! I went through four other changes during the hour and a half. All too soon it was over and Kathy had made her official debut.

We all sat down to lunch. I had the diet platter of course. Gotta' keep losing the excess. Since September I've lost 32 pounds. It'll be next Fall

before I'm down to my desired wight. With the exception of a few Christmas goodies, I haven't wavered off my reducing plan at all. Will power is strong...determination even greater.

There's icing on the cake too. At no additional cost, the school director offered to have me back for a refresher when I get my weight down further. A super incentive you can bet your life I'll take advantage of.

Quoting Donna Marie, "Kathy, you're on the road to being a very lovely woman. Good luck! If anyone can do it, I know you can."

Upon completing the course, to further test my level of passability, I made an appointment at a new beauty salon as Kathy to see if I could get by without being read. The shop is co-owned by the owner of the modeling school and a beautician named Betty.

My roots were showing bad. (I've been coloring my hair since my frosting in June.) We chose a honey red. After the coloring, she asked me how I wanted it styled. I suggested we try something different.

Betty proceeded to set me as we chitchatted about the snow storm we were experiencing, Christmas shopping and businesses in the area.

She complimented me on my long manicured nails and proceeded to bomb me out in a Lady Diana style. I was quite happy with the results.

I kept my makeup light, so as not to call attention to myself and had feathered my hair simply. It was also my first opportunity to wear my new plaid skirt, frilly white blouse, my best pierced earrings and 2½" heels. Just fitting into a womans size 38 was a minor miracle for me.

As I left the shop, I wanted to shout for joy, but managed to keep my exhilaration to myself in a most ladylike manner. Supreme elation! After all these years, I was finally being accepted for what I appeared to be. Unreal! Most of us never think we'll see the day, and now mine had arrived!

From there, it was on to my electrlogist. Alice bolstered my ego with a nice compliment on my hair and outfit. "You're doing all right for yourself," she quipped. "The weight loss is really showing. When you lose a little more, you'll be able to do anything you want as Kathy."

It's taken me 20 years to come this far. Except for work, I spend most of my time as Kathy now. It's only the last 18 months that I've really come out and wholeheartedly developed my femme self. Prior to that, it was sporadic at best.

I've maintained a diary for years. Someday I hope to publish my entire development and experiences into the world we love and sometimes hate.

Every year I solicit comments for my diary from those that know my femme side. (Copies of their comments have been furnished to the editor to prove the authenticity of my writing.) Though it may sound like fiction to some, I've had the great fortune to experience it all and then some.

From Mary Ann, proprietor of a high fashion beauty salon and boutique: "Since I have known you, I see great improvement. You have taken advantage of most of the services we offer. Manicuring, nail sculpturing, frosting, highlighting, makeup, perms, lashes, etc. I feel that the modeling course helped your self confidence. You seem more self assured. I feel you have what it takes to make it. So keep up the good work."

From the proprietor of a Merle Norman Boutique: "We had a consultation April 25 concerning his skin and what should be done to soften it before applying cosmetics. He explained to me his duo life and was considering living as Kathy full time. He seemed very sensible and intelligent and was aware of the many obstacles ahead. Now, some seven months later... and knowing Kathy, the confidence is evident, skin has improved and cosmetics are applied very well and seems well adjusted to living as Kathy."

And from a registered electrologist: "In March, Kathy came into my office and told me he would like to have his facial hair removed. He told me of his inner feelings and desire to dress as a woman. He asked if it would be alright to come into the office dressed as a woman from time to time. This he did and a few months ago started to dress only as a woman when he came to be worked on. Kathy told me of all the things she was doing as a woman...going to modeling

school, learning how to apply makeup, buying clothes. She always looked immaculate in her female appearance. She enjoyed being female. I have found her to be a friendly compassionate person. It is hard to say exactly how long it will take to remove her facial hair as everyone is different in the amount of hair that they have. Once we get past the stage of shaving, the hairs are a lot easier to remove permanently."

Last, but not least, what does my wife have to say about all this:

"In a way, Kathy is like the sister I never had. When she first told me seven years ago, it must have been very difficult, not knowing what to expect from me. I've always believed that if your really and truly in love, nothing matters...no matter what. I love Kathy for what she is and does. She doesn't just dress and sit around. She often pitches in with the housework. She's not ashamed to run the sweeper, dust, wash clothes, straighten up or anything like that. It's nice feeling to know that you have someone to help you, especially when you work. My biggest problem after working all day is to face making dinner and then having to do the dishes. Lucky for me, Kathy will do them while I do something else or just relax. By doing little things for one another, we've come to share something very special. Our open and close relationship has enabled me to understand her desires to express and develop her femininity. We've really come to appreciate and respect one another. I also try to help her as much as possible. I enjoy shopping for her and buying little things when she least expects them. I have also learned much from her. She's been helpful to me in things she's experienced. I now look forward to assisting others who feel they may benefit from our super relationship."

Christmas '81 was something special. Ann Marie gave me my first peignoir set...melon colored and revealing. In addition, she gave me my first ladies watch, several pair of gold pierced earrings (I love those that dangle) and a rust, fur collared coat to match my plaid skirt and ruffled white blouse I wore during the holidays.

Enough already! If you want to know more, you'll have to write. I promise to answer all. If there's anything at all either my wife or I can do to help you develop your femme side, do not hesitate to ask.

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Darn, my typewriter just broke...

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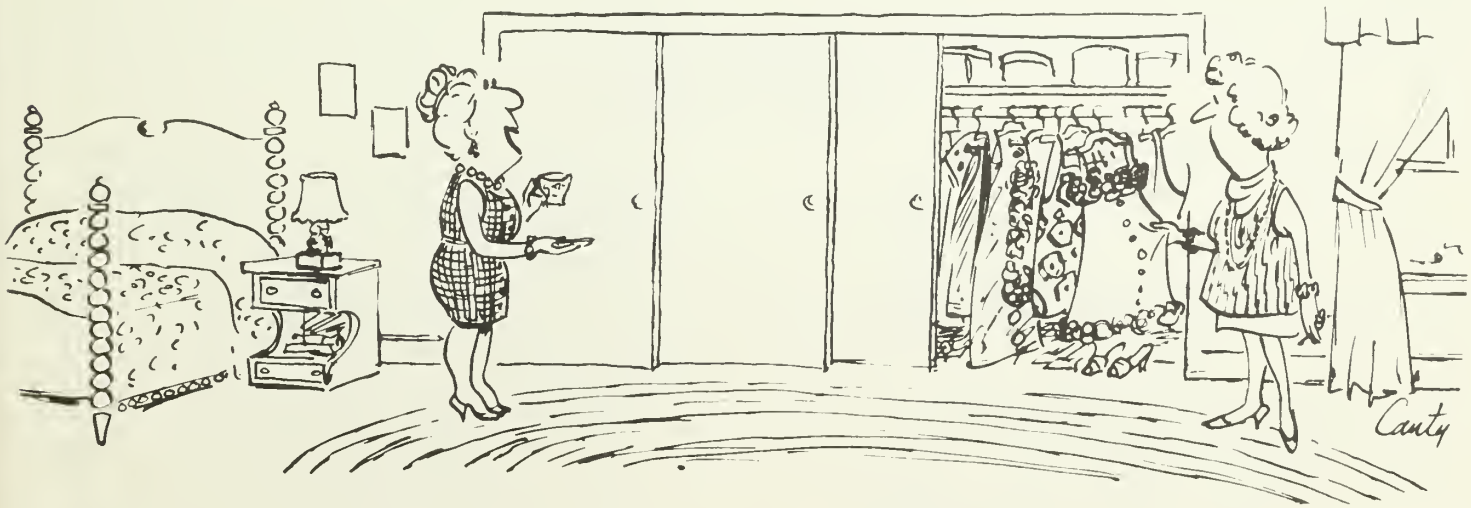

"No, that's Harry's closet, but it's okay . . . we're both a size twelve."

BOOK REVIEW

Your Guide To Dressing Thin, by Dale Goday, with Molly Chochran, Simon & Schuster (A Fire Side Book) N.Y., 1981 (Rev.) $6.95

For those of you who enjoyed and profited from Emily Cho's Looking Terrific here is a book that will interest you. Dressing Thin is especially written for the full figured woman who wishes to direct attention away from her heavier features toward her best ones. This new edition has an up to the minute revised text and all new photographs. Basically, through easy to remember principles of line, form, pattern color and tailoring details Ms Goday helps you topresent the image of a better proportional you.

Now you may be thin, thick or average. That doesn't matter. The principles discussed and illustrated can modify your image as needed. For instance, some gals have wide tops and narrow hips. Others have the reverse. Ms Goday's principles can be used to "even out" your figure. Transvestites can especially profit from her theory since women's clothes are not "engineered" for the male body. But, reading this book, you'll soon see how you can minimize your wide "football" shoulders with "Thin Look" theory and draw attention to your best (most feminine) features.

All basic types of clothing from jeans to skirts to formal dresses as well as hair style, makeup and accessories are covered. The well illustrated 127 pages will give you the know-how to look at any potential purchase (not to mention what you already own) and analyze it in terms of the dynamics of dressing. This book is a must.

Reviewed by Patricia Wells

Just as they thought I was normal
I went to town in my formal.
I shocked the whole town
As I supped in my gown
And the doctors now think its hormonal.

POEM (Of sorts)

CHRISTMAS EVE AT TIFFANY, 1981

by Anonymous

The girls were all tucked in their beds so good
While Mother Superior over them stood.
Yes, our lovely Merissa was checking each bed
To see if all toenails had been painted bright red
For tonight was the night
When the sleigh would alight
And Santa would go down the Chiminy
Of our dear little Tiffany.
We all were so praying that Santa would brink
Our every dear wish, maybe even a mink.
So sweetly was dreaming our virtuous Charlotte
Of an outfit just made for a sexy young starlet.
Patricia was playing the piano so brightly
We scarcely saw enter a sight so unsightly
An ugly old charwoman with a mop and a pail
Was draining the punch bowl of tasty wassail
Then she flitted about just minding her biz
Before we saw twas our cute little Liz
While Ginny was telling us a TV can be fixed
Our womanly Adrith a drink for us mixed
And Judy and Sally and Patricia O'Malley
And Linda and Willa and Jenny and Sheila
Roberta and her kitty, and of course Walter Mitty
Nancy and Ronnie Laurie and Johnnie
And Winnie and Cloris all joined in a chorus -

Merry X-mas

ELECTROLOGY CORNER

(Any questions you may have concerning electrology should be addressed to: Ms Kimberly Williams R.E., c/o Tiffany, Box 19, Wayland Ma. 01778)

QUESTION: I am a male to female transsexual, and have been having electrolysis treatments. After my treatments there is a lot of scabbing and I just do not seem to be clearing up. What causes this, and what can be done about it?

ANSWER: Scabbing is caused basically by a shallow insertion of the needle into the hair follicle, and excessively high current. The skin is composed of four layers, the stratum corneum the malphigian layer, the corium and the subcutaneous tissue. The root of the hair, the papilla, is located in the corium and subcutaneous tissue at the base of the hair follicle. A shallow insertion is when the needle is inserted only into the first and second layers of skin and does not touch the papilla. The hair is not destroyed and will grow back. Also, the first two layers of skin are delicate and cannot withstand and absorb the electrical current without being burned. That causes scabbing, and can cause permanent damage. A properly inserted needle at the correct depth should eliminate this problem.

Your slow progress is due to the needle not being inserted to the proper depth to destroy the hair papilla (root). (Contributing factors may be hereditary hair patterns, hormone therapy, medical conditions, certain medications, and climate. However, the primary reason for hair regrowth is the needle not doing its job.)

Electrolysis done properly is a scientific art with a medical approach. With correct insertion of the needle into the base of the hair follicle with correctly designated current (electrical strength) and timing (duration of current) you should be able to see substantial progress with each treatment.

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Ms Kimberly Williams, R.E.

LETTERS

Dear Merissa

I really want to thank you and the other members of Tiffany for welcoming me & helping me to relax last Saturday. This is going to sound trite, but it was really like a breath of fresh air - utterly refreshing! I've been smiling like a cheshire cat the last couple of days ... every time I think about you all. If only I'd known about Tiffany when I lived in Massachusetts!

It was a pleasure to meet Lora and learn more about makeup. I'm sure her advice will do me some good. Wish I could have bought more - to make her visit more worthwhile. I'll be back though.

Thanks again, Merissa, and please say hello to everyone else for me. I look forward to seeing the next Tapestry.

Love, Wendy

(Tiffany's facilities act as a hostelry for qualified travelers such as Wendy. We enjoyed having Wendy as our guest, and we look forward to her return.)

LETTER FROM KHALIL

(From the Editor: Khalil is a black female TV. Because we have so few blacks or females willing to take an active part, we took an immediate interest in him. Through correspondance we found Khalil to not only be an intelligent and articulate writer, but a sensitive and caring human being. Because of this we asked him if he would be interested in contributing to the Tapestry. This is his response.)

Dear Merissa

It was very nice hearing from you, as always. I know you must be very busy, so I'd like to thank you for taking out time to get in touch with me.

I can't imagine why you all have no female TV participants...which brings me to these thoughts: Yes, I would be honored to write, regularly, for the Tapestry, and for a number of reasons. For one thing, I am aware that there are many lonely and troubled TVs and TSs in the world...people who are nearly devoid of self-esteem and self-confidence, because of the manner in which society treats them - directly or indirectly. I want desperately to reach these people, to talk with them, to listen to them, to let them know that not only are they loved and cared about, but that they are worthy of happiness...I'd like to try to restore their pride and reassure them that they are beautiful and very 'special' people.

Another reason, is that, it seems to me that although there are a number of female TVs, they are very inactive... (From all I've heard from them...they may very well be mute!) I don't like that at all. I would somehow like to get in touch with them, somehow incite them to participation, no matter how small. Do you know that the Tapestry would be one of the most top-notched, well rounded papers there are if we could somehow get everyone to participate? I compliment the male TVs there at Tiffany ...they are showing their interest and their pride, as well as their love of crossdressing. Perhaps a few nicely dressed female TVs could submit photos, or create a "Homme Corner". It's just a suggestion but at least female TVs would be participating.

As for my writing, I put all of myself into my writing and I am serious about crossdressing. My heart is with all of my sisters and brothers who need me...and I need them. I thank you for the opportunity to write for the Tapestry.

Love, Khalil

(Needless to say, we are excited about welcoming Khalil to our staff.)

FROM BLOSSOM PASTER

Dears,

After 10 years of very mixed emotions, I have firmly decided to discontinue house parties and concentrate on my consultations and electrolysis. Make-up instructions along with consultations, which I have been doing, will continue during regular business hours and days.

Please DO NOT call me for information regarding parties. I am stating in this letter the name and address to contact and will not give any other information over the phone. If you are not interested in my stated services do yourself and me a big favor - DON'T CALL!

I strongly urge my good, old friends who share so many pleasant memories with me and anyone else who is interested in the type of party which I held to contact: Michelle Williams, P.O. Box 322, Collingswood, NJ 08108

BLOSSOM

LETTER TO THE WIVES

by Ann Marie H.

(Ann Marie is the wife of Kathy H, (Pa.). This letter was written to benefit the wives of TVs, and was included in Kathy's article 'The Ultimate TV Experience". We think it is important enough to give it special attention here.)

In a way, Kathy is like the sister I never had. When she first told me seven years ago, it must have been very difficult, not knowing what to expect from me. I've always believed that if you're really and truly in love, nothing matters...no matter what. I love Kathy for what she is and does. She doesn't just dress and sit around. She often pitches in with the housework. She's not ashamed to run the sweeper, dust, wash clothes, straighten up or anything like that. It's a nice feeling to know that you have someone to help you, especially when you work. My biggest problem after working all day is to face making dinner and then having to do the dishes. Lucky for me, Kathy will do them while I do something else or just relax. By doing little things for one another, we've come to share something very special. Our open and close relationship has enable me to understand her desires to express and develop her femininity. We've really come to appreciate and respect one another. I also try to help her as much as possible. I enjoy shopping for her and buying little things when she least expects them. I have also learned much from her. She's been helpful to me in thing she's experienced. I now look forward to assisting others who feel they might benefit from our super relationship.

(If you are interested in contacting Ann Marie, pencil in 'Ann Marie H. (Pa.)" on your stamped envelope, and mail it inside another envelope addressed to Tiffany, bx 19, Wayland Ma. 01778)

Dear Merissa

Thanks for sending me your notice of coming events in the next few months. I am certainly planning on a trip there for at least one of them.

Our parties are still going strong & many new faces have come out in the open. Our last party I thought would be a flop as it snowed heavy all day & part of the night & I firgured no one would show up & to my suprise about 20 people (some from New Jersey, Providence, & Ma. came flying in. It goes to show you that if the desire to party in drag is there, they are better than the postal service - "Neither rain, nor snow, nor gloom of night shall deter the feminine desire. Delivery of the femme self shall be there "

I would also like you to mention our club activities in your newsletter again. The address is still:

Harriet Lane, P.O. Box 2 Yalesville Sta., Wallingford Ct 06492 (203)288-1166

The parties are $10 per person, $15 for couples, food is served, and a cash bar.

Also, we still have a room available for a TV who would like to live with other TVs, etc.

Thanks for your correspondence in the past & future.

Love, Harriet Lane

(See 'Coming Events' for a schedule for Harriet's parties. Also, Harriet has General and Key members the same as Tiffany. In order to advance cooperation and support between the groups, the attendance fees - not the food or bar fees - are waived for the General and Key members of both groups. This is a policy that seems to work well for everyone concerned, and a policy we encourage other groups to practice as well.)

Q What do you call a designer condom?

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COMING EVENTS

New England

TIFFANY CLUB: (Membership - open)
Tiffany Club Bx 19 Wayland Ma. 01778 (617)358-5575

OPEN MEETINGS: 7pm Tuesdays and Saturdays

BUSINESS MEETINGS: 7pm 4th Saturday of each month. General and Key members are encouraged to attend.

January 30, 1982: Special guest, Mr Pudgy Roberts

February 6, 1982: Saturday, 7pm MARY KAY COSMETICS. Free demonstration and consultations.

VALENTINE"S PARTY: Saturday, February 13, 1982
Raffle drawing

February 15, 1982: 7pm, Special Guest Dr. Jack Rutledge

FASHION/BEAUTY COURSE:5 week 5 session course beginning Monday March 15.
$25 for course, 10 people minimum, pre-registration required.

Wednesday, March 17, 1982: Special wine tasting party. The finest imported wines available.

ST. PATRICK'S PARTY: Saturday, March 20, 1982

March 27, 1982: An evening with the Outreach Institute

ANNUAL SPRING OPEN HOUSE: Saturday, April 17, 1982

ANNUAL PROVINCETOWN WEEKEND: June 4, 5, 6, 7. Details pending.

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HALCYON SOCIETY: (Rhode Island Tiffany Club affiliate)
Occupant, P.O. Box 143, N. Kingston R.I. 02852 (617)678-0609

MEETINGS: 1st Saturday of each month

February 27, 1982: Special shopping trip to "Wardrobes By Carolyn" boutique.

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MAYFLOWER: (Boston, Bondage)
P.O. Box 66, Allston Ma. 02134 (617)254-7389

MEETINGS: 7pm Wednesdays

PARTIES: Last Saturday of each month

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HARRIET LANE'S TV SET: (Open)
Harriet Lane, Box 2 Yalesville Sta., Willingford Ct 06492 (203)288-1166

PARTIES: The 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. The 2nd Saturday is non-sexual, and the 4th Saturday anything goes. $10 per person, $15 per couple, food served, cash bar.

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OPEN DOOR: (Transsexual Support, Boston)
Room 307 Box 104, 1430 Mass. Ave., Cambridge Ma. 02138

MEETINGS: 2pm, 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month

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XX CLUB: (Transsexual Support, Hartford)
XX Club, P.O. Box 6070 Park St. Sta., Hartford Ct 06106

MEETINGS: 3pm, 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month at 45 Church St., Hartford

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THE OUTREACH INSTITUTE: (TV/TS educational service)
The Outreach Institute, Kenmore Sta. Box 368, Boston Ma. 02215, (617)277-3454

March 13, 1982: Hasty Pudding Theatrical, Outreach benefit dinner
Contribution: $45

October 15 thru October 24, 1982: Fantasia Fair (see 'Vacations')

New York

ALBANY TVIC: (membership - open, non-sexual)

MEETINGS: 3rd Saturday of each month
William Thordsen, 1104 Broadway, Albany NY 12200 (518)434-8806

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NYC GGA CHAPTER: (NYC NY)
Muriel Olive, 157 W. 57th St., Suite 601, NYC NY 10019 (212)582-6823

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CASEY: Parties, 4th Saturday of each month
Casey Kwarta, 50 Sunny Rd., St. James, NY 11780

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JOYCE DEWHURST: (Parties in NYC)
Joyce Dewhurst, 37-50 76 St., Jackson Heights NY 11372
(212)335-3048
Sunday, February 14, 1982: 9pm A Night at 'Night Moves Club' in NYC. $30, unlimited liquor
POCONOS WEEKEND: May 14, 15 and 16 $160 per person, $295 per couple

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EVE BROWN: (NYC, NJ area parties)
Eve Brown, 521 5th Ave., NYC NY
(201)920-8143

New Jersey—Pennsylvania

PHI CHAPTER (GGA): (S. NJ, Phila.)
Michelle Willi-ms, P.O. Box 322, Collingswood, NJ 08108
(609)854-1738
MEETINGS: 4th Saturday of each month

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NU CHAPTER (GGA): N. NJ)
J. Malley, 29 Franklin Pl, Morristown NJ 07960
MEETINGS: 1st Saturday of each month

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SUE HALL: (TVs & Swingers)
Sue Hall Enterprises, Box 74, Changewater NJ 07831
OPEN HOUSE: Mondays. Dress as you like.

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PI CHAPTER (TRI ESS): (Pittsburg)
Patricia Louise McDermott, Box 576, Export Pa., 15632
MEETINGS: 2nd Saturday of each month, alternating with the Paradise Club

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CHI DELTA MU (TRI ESS): (Ct, NY, NJ)
For information: Carol Beecroft, Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

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KATHY (TRI ESS): Proposed chapter in Northeastern Pennsylvania
For Information: Carol Beecroft Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

Mid-Atlantic

DELTA CHI CHAPTER (GGA): (Baltimore-DC)
Sandy Machin, P.O. Box 11254, Lincolnia Sta., Alexandria Va. 22312
MEETINGS: 1st Saturday of each month

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NU RHO CHAPTER (GGA): (Va.)
N. Cooper, S-180 P.O. Box 2400 Virginia Beach Va. 23452
MEETINGS: 4th Saturday of each month

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ACADEMY AWARDS: (Drag, Gay) (Baltimore-DC)
Mr Carl Rizzi, 1015 S. Quebec St A-9 Arlington Va. 22204
January 30, 1982: Miss Gay Universe, at the Almas Temple. Tickets $12

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BALTIMORE WASHINGTON GGA:
Lisa Rouse, P.O. Box 218, Burtonsville-Md 20720
MEETINGS: 2nd Saturday of each month

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RONA (TRI ESS): Proposed chapter in Roanoke Va. area
For information: Carol Beecroft Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

South

SUCCESS CHAPTER (GGA): (Fla.)
Susan Armstrong, P.O. Box 1601, Pinellas Park, Fl 33656
MEETINGS: 2nd Saturday of each odd numbered month.

FANTASIES IN LACE:(Florida, parties)
Fantasies in Lace, P.O. Box q00279.
Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. 33310

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HOUSTON CHAPTER (TRI ESS): (Texas)
For information: Carol Beecroft
Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

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DALLAS CHAPTER (TRI ESS): (Texas)
For information: Carol Beecroft
Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

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ALICE (TRI ESS): (N. Fla., Ala. area)
For information: Carol Beecroft
Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

Upper Mid-West

WINDY CITY CHAPTER (GGA): (Chicago)
R. Hess, 512 Barry St., A-306,
Chicago Il. 60657 (312)472-4518
February 23, 1982: Mardi Gras
March 20, 1982: Regular meeting
April 14, 1982: Boutique
June 30, 1982: Program unannounced

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CHI CHAPTER (TRI ESS): Illinois)
Donna Martin, Box 218, Markham
Ill. 60426
MEETINGS: 3rd Saturday of each month

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CROSSROADS CHAPTER: (Michigan, membership open, non-sexual)
The Crossroads Chapter, P.O.
Box 3013, Flint Mi. 48502
February 6, 1982: Meeting in Flint Mi.
March 20, 1982: Meeting in Ann Arbor
April 17, 1982: Location unannounced

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PARADISE CLUB: (Ohio, membership - open, nonsexual)
Paradise Club, P.O. Box 24363
Cleveland Oh 44124
MEETINGS: February 20; April 17;
June 19; August 21; October 23;
December 11

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WISCONSIN TV NETWORK: (Madison area, membership-open, nonsexual)
Ruthann Moskowitz, P.O. Box 813,
Madison Wi 53701
Social contacts, referrals, irregularly scheduled parties.

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EVELYN (TRI ESS): Proposed chapter in Youngstown Ohio area
For information: Carol Beecroft
Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

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JOHANNA (TRI ESS): Proposed chapter in Troy Michigan area
For information: Carol Beecroft
Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

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MARY (TRI ESS): Proposed chapter in Madison Wisconsin area
For information: Carol Beecroft
Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

Mid-West

LAMDA DELTA CHAPTER (TRI ESS): (Louisville Ky and Cincinatti Oh)
For information: Carol Beecroft
Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

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TV/TS GROUP: (open meetings, Denver Co. area)
For information (303)830-7353

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DENVER (TRI ESS): (Colorado)
For referrals and information:
Kim S., c/o Petticoat Junction, 633
S. Broadway Table Mesa Shopping Center,
Boulder Co. 90303 (303)494-8197

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IOTA CHAPTER (TRI ESS): (Iowa)
For information; Carol Beecroft,
Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

West

GATEWAY GENDER ALLIANCE: (California)
GGA, Box 62283, Sunnyvale Ca.
94088 (408)734-3773
SAN FRANCISCO: 2nd Wednesday
SAN JOSE: 1st and 3rd Friday

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ALPHA CHAPTER (TRI ESS): (S. Ca.)
For information: Carol Beecroft Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

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CHIC: (S. Ca., heterosexual TVs)
CHIC, P.O. Box 995, Los Angeles Ca. 90028 (213)249-2442
MEETINGS: Irregularly scheduled

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SIGMA DELTA CHAPTER (TRI ESS): (San Diego Area)
For information: Carol Beecroft Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

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PI PHI CHAPTER (TRI ESS): (San Francisco area)
For information: Carol Beecroft Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

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SCYROS CHAPTER (SHANGRI LA): (S. California, Membership - open, non-sexual)
Nancy Watson, Box 18202, Irvine Ca, 92713 (714)834-0928
MEETINGS: 1st Saturday of each month

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SAIMACIS: (open)
Lynda or Ann (213)241-9093
MEETINGS: 2nd Saturday of each month

Canada

TRANSVESTITES AU MONTREAL (TAMS): (Membership - open, non-sexual)
TAMS, P.O. Box 153 Sta. Victoria, Westmount Que. H3Z-2V5
MEETINGS: Schedule not available at this time.

Vacations

DREAM: (open, non-sexual)
Semi annual Fall event held near Seattle, Wa. Features high quality condominiums, and a 5 day fashion/beauty course.
DREAM, Box 58, 507 3rd Ave., Seattle Wa. 98104

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FANTASIA FAIR 1982: (Cape Cod, open, non-sexual)
October 15 through October 24 Annual 9 day event held in Provincetown Ma. F/F offers a wide selection of educational, social & outdoor activities and programs to all participants.
Fantasia Fair Ltd, Box T 368, Kenmore Sta., Boston Ma. 02215 (617)277-3454

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TRI ESS FALL CONVENTION: (Open to members of Tri Ess only)
Annual Fall event. Dates and location to be announced.
Carol Beecroft, Box 194, Tulare Ca. 93275

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TRI ESS HOLIDAY EN FEMME: (Open to members of Tri Ess only)
NEW ORLEANS: March 17th through March 21st
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SHANGRI LA '82: (Open)
An annual 5 day event for advanced crossdressers who pass in public.
This year's event is scheduled for April 21 through April 25, in Biloxi Miss.
Nancy Watson, Box 18202, Irvine Ca. 92713 (714)834-0928

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TIFFANY'S WEEKEND: (Open)
Annual 4 day event held the first weekend of June, in Provincetown Ma.
Tiffany Club, Box 19, Wayland Ma. 01778 (617)358-5575

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SHANGRI LA WEST WEEKEND: Annual event held usually in June, in S. California
Nancy Watson, Box 18202, Irvine Ca. 92713 (714)834-0928

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DAYTONA BEACH WEEKEND: Annual event held in October on the East Coast of Fla.
Susan Armstrong, Box 1601, Pinellas Park Fl 33656

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POCONOS WEEKEND: Annual event held this year May 14, 15, 16 in the Poconos mountains of Pa.
Joyce Dewhurst, 37-50 76 St., Jackson Heights NY 11372
(516)335-3048

liscellaneous

JACQUES: (Drag Bar)
79 Broadway St., Boston
EVERY WEDNESDAY: Talent Show (amatures welcome) Joanna Leigh MC
February 13, 1982: Valentine's Show featuring Joanna Leigh's Fire & Ice Review

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METRO: (Gay disco, crossdressers welcome 7 nights a week)
15 Lansdown St., Boston
February 21, 1982: Mardi Gras, prizes given for best costumes.

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GREEN APPLE: (FI Shows, tastefully dressed TVs welcome)
Rt 1, Peabody Ma.

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BULLETIN BOARD

TAPESTRY NOW A QUARTERLY

The Tapestry is now a quarterly publication, and monthly "Special Announcements & Coming Events" fliers will be sent monthly. This will help to improve communications among Tiffany members, and improve the quality of the Tapestry.

NOTICE FROM GLADYS

In response to many requests, Gladys is now carrying the Classique prostheses, a hollow backed prostesis that fits the convex male chest features beautifully.

(For further information, contact Gladys. See her ad in the Classified section.)

TRANSSEXUAL AFFAIRS

The Tiffany Club has appointed Virginia Hunt and Rachia Heyelman to be coordinators of Tiffany's transsexual affairs. It is now their job to handle correspondence and communications.

All correspondence concerning the subject of Transsexualism should be addressed to: Ms Virginia Hunt, c/o Tiffany, Bx 19, Wayland Ma. 01778

TIFFANY'S CANTEEN

Food is now available!

The self-service bar has been so successful that a self-service canteen has been added, featuring: frozen dinners, soups, snacks, etc.

RAFFLE ANNOUNCEMENT

One of the top prizes being offered in our raffle is a new television. A number of folks have asked for a trip to Tiffany's Weekend in June, rather than the television. For that reason we are delaying the purchase of the television until after the drawing on 2/13, to ask the winner which she prefers, the set or the trip.

CALL TO TRI ESS MEMBERS

Tiffany has comfortable and secure facilities, and would like to offer them for use to Tri Ess. Tiffany is interested in providing a balanced service program for the TV/TS community, and feels a regularly scheduled evening catering to heterosexual crossdressers and their wives is necessary, and is in the best interest of all.

We need a Tri Ess member to accept the responsibility to organize such a meeting.

Call: Merissa, 617-358-5575

BLOSSOM QUITS

The kooks and cranks have done it again. Their victim this time was a lady who has been sponsoring house parties for us, and has served the TV community for years; Blossom Paster. She will hold no more parties, and will accept no more calls, except from customers interested in electrolysis. (See Blossom's letter in 'Letters')

TRANSVESTITES

Share a spacious home in a middle class neighborhood. Dress any or all the time. Private room - kitchen - laundry - cable TV - fully furnished - parties bi-monthly with other TVs. Exotic lingerie, clothes, wigs & accessories for sale. Two rooms available for live-in TVs. Other parties as they happen. Enjoy the full life of a she-male in privacy with understanding friends.

Write: Harriet Lane, Box 2 Yalesville Sta., Wallingford Ct. 06492
(203)288-1166

NACD, INC.

The NACD is seeking crossdressers and friends interested in investing in the NACD.

The NACD is an independent investment corporation chartered for the purpose of developing a financial backbone for the TV/TS Community. The primary features of the NACD are:

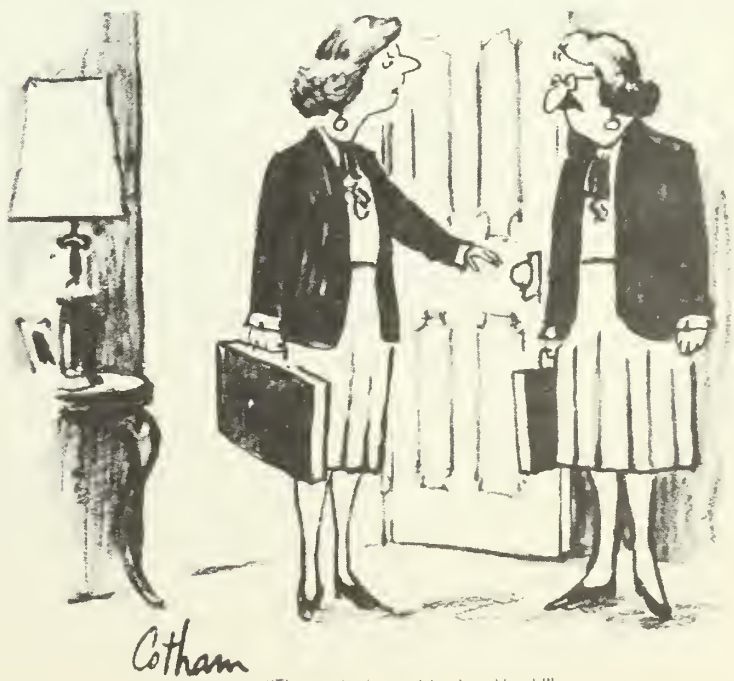
- The NACD sells shares to supporters of the TV/TS community only.
- Dividends are paid in the form of 'service benefits' from affiliated non-profit organizations such as the Tiffany Club. The benifits are 20% of investment annually.
- The NACD invests in income property, the income then is used to benefit the TV/TS Community.

For additional information: NACD Inc. P.O. Box 19, Wayland Ma. 01778

LOST: - SEX DRIVE Somewhere between Wayland and Hartford on the Mass. Pike. Finder please get a motel room and call me collect. Exciting reward.

The Old Softie

(Editor's advice, Don't take this ad too seriously. Ed.)



"This rivalry has got to stop, Harold!"

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1.) In order to insure good reproduction your advertisement should be camera-ready. If we must screen any photos there will be a $3.00 charge per photo.

2.) All copy should be reproduceable black and white.

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4.) Make your checks or Money Orders (US funds only) payable to 'The Tapestry', and return with your photo ready copy to: Tapestry, P.O. Box 19, Wayland, MA 01778.

PRIVATE TIFFANY CLUB BUSINESS REFERRALS: Many businesses welcome members in good standing of the Tiffany Club, but are unwilling to advertise openly for fear of attracting immature and irresponsible people. For these businesses, the Tiffany Club acts as a screening agent, and has referrals in the following catagories:

Arts/graphics, Beauticians, Beauty Supplies, Bondage Equipment, Clothing Stores, Corsets & Bras, Costumes, Cosmotology, Counseling, Dressmakers, Electrology, Legal, Medical, Printing, Private Consultants, Photography, Optometry, Travel Agents, Wig Specialists

I CAN

I CAN (The Interpersonal Change Activist Network) has formed a Gender Clinic to meet the TV/TS Community's human needs, and has developed a comprehensive program for persons in transition. This program includes:

PRE-ENTRY: Intake/evaluative phase. Medical, Social, Psychological, Psychiatric and Sexual Functioning, Histories and Work-ups.

ENTRY, SEMESTER ONE: Substance Abuse Overview, Financial Planning, Sexuality 1, Legal Transitions 1, Vocational Class 1a, Vocational Class 1b

SEMESTER TWO: Overview - Electrolosis, Hormone Therapy, Surgy; Health Care 1&2, Stress Management/Relaxation, Grooming and Personal Style 1

SEMESTER THREE: Transitions - Living as New Gender 1, 2 & 3; Grooming and Personal Style 2, Roles and Behavior Options, Social Networks

SEMESTER FOUR: Final Evaluations, Surgery Referrals, Sexuality 2, Surgery

For additional information:

ICAN GENDER CLINIC
7 Davis Sq. Suite 9
Somerville, Mass. 02144
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Who may advertise: Only members in good standing of the Tiffany Club may place a personal listing in the Tapestry. The listing will continue for the duration of her membership. The listing can be changes or withdrawn at any time upon request.

Security: All information provided in a personal listing is left to the discretion of the advertiser (including addresses and phone numbers). The Tiffany Club provides free forwarding for those who do not wish to reveal their address.

Sexually oriented photos or wording will not be accepted, and will result in either the editing or rejection of the listing.

HOW TO RESPOND: If the address is given, write directly. If the address is 'c/o Tiffany', on the envelope you want forwarded lightly pencil in the name of the person you wish to contact. Enclose your letter in another envelope and mail to **The Tiffany Club, P.O. Box 19, Wayland, MA 01778.** If this procedure is not followed, your letter will be placed in Tiffany's General Delivery box, then mailed with the next issue of the Tapestry, which could mean a substantial delay.

MARIE B. (N.H.)

SWM hetero TV 31 6' slender and feminine. Enjoy penpals, fashion, makeup and photography.

Marie B (NH) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

ESTHER R. (WA.)

Member GGA

5'8 72 easy to get along with. Attractive, with a little grey hair. A retired radio tech, draws in oil, enjoys music and crewel. "I was born with the idea that I should be a girl"

L.E. Randle 8504-180th St. NW, Stanwood Wn 98292

JUDY B. (MA.)

Tiffany Keyholder member

MWM TV/TS 40 190 6', athletically inclined, seeking correspondence and friendship with TSs and females.

Judy B (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

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MALINDA LEE ANDERSON (WI.)

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5'10 175 32 Bi-TV. 2nd place "Miss Provincetown 1980", Knowledgeable in cosmetics, active, extensive TV life, like self expression & exploration. Uninhibited, prefer meeting unrepressed types. Visit Boston area several times a year, especially desire friends in Metro area.

R. Peterson Box 524, Lake Mills Wi. 53551

CAROLE SYLVIA MAYFIELD (MA.)

Member Tri Ess

MWM hetero TV 61 6' pleasant but not glamorous appearance. Enjoys music, tennis, golf, boating.

Carole S. Mayfield, P.O. Box 13 West Lynn Ma. 01905

BARBARA D. (VT.)

TV 47 6' 190 hetero married. Enjoys movies, dancing, nice restaurants, and just getting out of the closet. Would like to learn more on makeup and more polish on being femme.

Barbara D. (Vt) c/o Tiffany Bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

MICHELLE D. (N.C.)

MWM hetero TV 27 6' attractive, shy, love soft feminine things, high heels, hosiery, etc. Am athletic, love to dress as often as possible and to correspond with TVs with similar interests. I woulk like to exchange letters with other TVs and arrange possible meetings. Am trying to come out of the closet and need help doing so.

Michelle D. (NC) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

JENNIFER SWITZER (TEXAS)

MWM hetero TV 35 5'11 can pass easily. Enjoys rock music, fast cars, flying, and sheep dogs. I need to meet others like myself.

Jennifer S (tx) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

ELAINE S. RICE (GERMANY)

MM hetero TV attractive when dressed. Married for 8 years, and have two sons. I like country & Western music, horse riding, hunting and all kinds of outdoor sports, and photography. I would like to be active in the Tiffany Club but since I'm in Germany at the time it is not like that I can be.

Elaine S. Rice (Ger) c/o Tiffany Bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

HELEN CARR (FLA.)

WM TV 40+ 5'11 attractive, pleasant, Enjoys music, theater, high fashion, cooking, needlepoint, etc. Am interested in writing to other TV/TSs, will answer all.

Helen Carr, Bx 362, Key West Fl 33040

BOBBIE HALL (MA.)

SWM TV 5'10 attractive, young looking, sweet. Enjoys high fashion.

Bobbie Hall, c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

KATHY H. (PA.)

Member Tri Ess

MWM hetero TV 31 6'6 265, have been crossdressing for 18 years. Would like to correspond with other TVs to share experiences and photos. Kathy says that her spouse will be willing to write to spouses of other TVs.

Kathy H. (Pa) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

LYNN CLARK (Baltimore Md.)

DWM TV 37 6' attractive. Enjoys running and music. Looking for help to understand myself and cope with the duality of the TV life.

Lynn Clark (Md) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

RHONDA or HILKA (S. CA.)

Member Tri Ess

SWM TV 5'6 red hair, blue eyes, aloof. Enjoys photography, treasure hunting, astronomy, science fiction. "I've paid the price."

R. Smith, #28, 1360 E. Madison, El Cajon Ca. 92020

LORRAINE McNEIL (MA.)

MWM hetero TV 30 5'6 140 Friendly, loves to dress and loves people. Also very easy going. Enjoys dinner dance, movies and sports. Wife is not supportive.

Lorraine M. (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

JANICE HEUKLOM (MA.)

Member Tri Ess

55 5'6 150 divorced. Enjoys country music, movies and nice retaurants. Wants to meet other TVs to assist her in understanding herself.

Janice H (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

JENNY C. (Philadelphia Pa.)

SWM 39 5'10 size 14, tries to be helpful, pleasant and friendly. Enjoys pre-classical and folk music. I'm a person with both a male and a female personality who enjoys both. Would prefer the femme side at least half the time, but am practical.

Jenny C (Pa) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

JUDY LEIGH S. (MA.)

Tiffany General Member

Married TV 45 5'4 pleasant, shy. I enjoy all sports & travel & dance music, plus just having a good time with good friends. I like to get dressed & go for rides to visit other friends.

Judy S (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

PAMELA BULGER (Albany NY)

TV, 27 shy & quiet, I try to be very feminine, and want to make friends with everyone possible. I am looking forward to get togethers. I enjoy high fashion, music, movies, drinking, dancing, dinner and get togethers. Will answer all.

Pamela B (NY) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

JANNA PAGE (IL.)

Member Tri Ess

Somewhat reserved, but friendly TV who is interested in bridge, golf, chess and stamp/coin collecting. Unable to dress as frequently as she would like, but is interested in corresponding with other TVs.

Janna Page Box 211, Lake Bluff Ill. 60044

CHRISTINE R. (QUEBEC)

Member TAMS

MWM TV, 28 5'4 attractive, passes well. Enjoys high fashion, fine restaurants, going out to relaxing places. Would like to have an escort or a GG to go out with, for an evening.

Am particularly interested in good inter group relations with TAMs and Tiffany.

Christine R. (Que) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

TAMARA MARTIN (MAINE)

SWM TV 49 submissive. Would like to meet other TVs. Enjoys music, cross-dressing, and am in need of help with makeup, clothes, etc. Interested in living as a TV as much as possible. Would like to correspond with other TVs that would offer help in my training.

Tamara M (Me) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

D.M.C. (N.C.)

SWM bi tendancies, TV 37 5'11 humanistic, intelligent, sensitive, and attractive. I enjoy music (all kinds), art, photography, sailing, intellectually stimulating conversations, and eroticism.

D.M. Charles, 2549 Confederate Dr Wilmington NC 28403

(919)763-3762

BRENDA CALDWELL (CAPE COD)

MWM hetero TV 24 5'10 slim, fairly attractive, quiet at first, shy with a dry sense of humor. Enjoys camping, technical rock climbing, chess. Am looking forward to getting to know myself and my peers.

Brenda C (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

NAOMI O. (Chicago Il.)

Member Tri Ess

Open minded, straight attorney early 40's but young at heart - stylish but still a little timid in public. Photography & travel, also into cultural, good music, art boutiques, etc. I have been told that I pass easily, everybody has an Aunt Rose that looks like me.

Naomi O. (Il) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

JANET B. (MA.)
Member Halcyon Society
SWM TV 29 6' 185 good looking (so I'm told). Not exactly new to the TV scene, but always anxious to meet people and make new understanding friends who enjoy dressing as much as I do.
Janet B (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

REBECCA SUZANNE C. (MA.)
WM TV divorced, 53 6' 200, engineer and business executive. Enjoy cooking, wine, golf, dressing. Have been cross-dressing for many years and would like to 'come out of the closet' and meet or correspond with others to share our interests and life style. Would like assistance, and meet or correspond with others to share our interests and lifestyle, would like some understanding & encouragement.
Rebecca C (Ma) c/o Tiffany Bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

PAMELA K. MILLER (Albany NY)
WM TV 32 6' can pass. Enjoy skiing, fishing, and a relaxed atmosphere with either male or female company when I am en femme.
P. Miller, P.O. Box 62, Albany NY 12207

CHRISTIE LEA (R.I.)
Member Halcyon Society
SWM TV 26, attractive, interested in corresponding and meeting with TVs, TSs ladies or gents. Interested in all things feminine.
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Christie Lea (RI) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

WINNIE BRANT (Albany NY)
Member Albany TVIC
Hetero TV, 52 6'2, a lady. Have many interests, scientific and culturally oriented. Love to travel.
Mr. Winton Brant, P.O. Box 741 Schenectady NY 12301

KATHY R. (N.H.)
Good looking TV, 5'9 158. Pleasant, enjoy waterskiing, music and high fashion.
Kathy R (NH) c/o Tiffany Bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

MARTHA M. (MA.)
SWM hetero TV late 40s 5'9, understanding, warm, very serious of others likes & dislikes. Enjoy country & western, dining out, horseback riding and motorcycles. Would like to meet others for friendship & to help me to better understand myself as a TV.
F. Marty Martinis, 16 Rtrop Rd, Natick Ma. 01760

JANE H. (N.J.)

Member Tri Ess

Slender 6' TV who is a retired engineer - enjoys classical music and theater. Very active on the TV scene having attended DREAM in '76, '78, & '80, and Fantasia Fair '80 & '81. Would quite enjoy exchanging letters/pictures with other TVs.

Jane H (NJ) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

JOAN ELIZABETH B. (MA.)

Married TV 26, Have been into cross-dressing for a while but would like to come out more. I enjoy boating, diving, skiing, new wave rock n' roll. My wife is understanding, and we would enjoy meeting other couples with the same interests.

Joan B (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

LISA STONE (MA.)

SWM TV (possible TS) 24 135 5'8 attractive, can pass. Enjoy photography & bicycling.

Lisa Stone, c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

MARION P. (MA.)

Hetero married TV. 40 5'9 145. Wife knows but does not understand.

Marion P. c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

SUSAN REYNOLDS (VA.)

Member Tri Ess, GGA

Hetero TV 43 5'8 155 trim figure reasonably passable, lady. Photography, TV social life, hunting/fishing.

Susan Reynolds, Box 11160, Alexandria Va. 22312

JO ANN B. (N.H.)

Hetero TV 50 5'9 size 14 fun loving, pleasant. Enjoy golf, swimming, travel, bridge. Shy at first but would enjoy having an environment of other TVs around me. Would enjoy meeting other single TVs and TSs.

Walter Bursiel, P.O. Box 81, Milford NH 03055

BARBARA ALEXANDRE (MA.)

SWM bi-TV 41 5'8, a sun person, gymnast, music, and would like to do a photo book of beautiful TVs. I will meet those interested in good times only. No heavy weight people please.

Barbara A (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

JOYCE DOLAN (CT)

Member XX Club

Pre-op TS 5'6 140 50 divorced. I enjoy writing and public speaking. I would like to teach the world to live in harmony, the straight, gay, androgyne, the TS and TV.

Joyce Dolan 37 Huntington St A-2E Hartford Ct 06105

LEE ARSNAL (MAINE)

MWM TV 51 175 5'10 who says only her sense of humor allows her to look at herself in the mirror. Enjoys jogging, skiing, hunting, and fishing (and of course soft feminine clothing). Would like to correspond with other girls.

Lee Arsnal Bx 254 Togus Me 04330

KAREN A. (MA.)

SWM hetero TV 26 5'8 150. Interested in meeting or corresponding with other crossdressers or females. Also interested in reading, scrabble, chess, handcrafts.

Karen A. (Ma.) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

BEVERLY SAUNDERS (CANADA)

Member TAMS

Married TV, very peasant, promise to respond to all who write.

Beverly Saunders c/o TAMS, Bx 153 Station Victoria, Montreal H3Z-2V5

WENDY JO ANNE WALSH (Buffalo NY)

MWM hetero TV 5'4 29 intellectually oriented, pleasant personality. Enjoys concert music, books, mysticism and would enjoy corresponding with/ meeting other TVs.

Wendy W (NY) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma. 01778

RENEE CARROLL (CT.)

Member Tri Ess

SWM hetero TV, enjoys music, photography, travel, fashion and makeup.

Renee Carroll, P.O. Box 231, Stratford Ct 06497

SYLVIA C. (MA.)

MWM hetero TV 60, attractive, pleasent. Enjoy sports, women's fashions. "I would like to establish relationships with 'girls' within a convenient area (south of Boston).

Sylvia C (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma. 01778

ROBERTA W. (MA.)

5'5 140 enjoys crossdressing. Interested in meeting couples and females for dressing and showing my private collection of erotic movies. Also interested in pen pals.

Roberta W. (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

VIRGINIA HUNT (MA.)

Tiffany Keyholder member

Pre-op TS, 40 5'6 138, attractive and passes well. Enjoys dancing, and long drives. Is a country girl. Would like to correspond with other TSs and interesting people.

Virginia Hunt, P.O. Box 19, Wayland Ma. 01778 (617)358-5575

SYLVIA (PA.)

MWM hetero TV 41 5'11 190 attractive good femme wardrobe, will exchange letters, photos with sensible people. Enjoy reading and photography related to TVism.

D.S.C., P.O. Box 1422, Harrisburg Pa. 17105

PRISCILLA ALDEN SPERRY (CT.)

Member Tri Ess

MWM hetero TV 56 brown hair and eyes, 5'11 155 muscualr & trim - excellent running shape. Enjoys flying (private pilot), sailing, skiing, running, tennis, dancing, music, silk dresses, satin lingerie, sheer stockings & 3½" heels. Greatest thrill is to transform from macho male into totally feminine person and mingle with other high fashion polite TVs.

Priscilla S (Ct) c/o Tiffany Bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

RAMONA M. (R.I.)

Member Halcyon Society

SWM TV 51, Interested in cross-dressing, outdoor sports, social contacts and meeting new friends.

Ramona M (RI) c/o Tiffany, bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

MARILYN VINCENT (MA.)

TV 25 attractive, feminine, 6'1 185. I enjoy soft rock, politics, movies, dining, and social drinking. I can easily pass as an attractive girl, would like to correspond with other TVs who are honest.

Marilyn Vincent (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

JANET VIRGINIA SANBORN (NH)

TS 38 5'10 145 dark blond/light blond streaks. Attractive, live full time as a woman. Enjoys art, music, psychology, skating, skiing, dancing, cinima. Would like to meet other TV/TSs in the Concord NH area.

Janet S. (NH) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

JACKIE G. (MA.)

SWM aspiring TV, 6' 170 34, nice to be with. Enjoys music, sports, and being feminine. Looking forward to sharing my TVism with other TVs.

Jackie G. c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma. 01778

LINDA K. (MA.)

MWM hetero TV 36 5'9. Enjoys high fashion dressing. Interested in finding a dressmaker and meeting a TV/TS for dressing, makeup etc, who is available during the day or early evening.

Linda Ka. (Ma) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

CARLA E. GOLDSNIDER (CT.)

WM TV 51 5'10, own small house in country - live alone. Enjoys dressing as a female - meeting other TVs and females for girl talk etc - and going out in public. I dress as much as possible and told by many that I pass very well.

Carla E. Goldsnider, 3741 South St. Coventry Ct 06238 (203)742-8827

MARILYN K. (N.Y.)

Member GGA

31 5'8 single. Likes everything feminine, high heels & dresses. Also enjoy tennis, fishing, oil painting. Would like to have TV/TS to help in dressing, or a female, plus makeup and style and mannerisms.

Jerry Kelderhouse, P.O. Box 56 Maple Springs NY 14756

MARION REINHARDT (LA.)

Pre-op M-F TS, 5'8, attractive, enjoy people. Enjoy music, history, cooking, and plants. "I wish to be a good member, and for you to help me come to a complete understanding of my womanhood."

Paul G. Borron IV, P.O. Box 2742 Nicholls State U., Thibodaux La. 70310 (504)446-8111 X1548

RHONDA B. (R.I.)

Member Halcyon Society

SWM TV 36 5'11 170. I love all the latest fashions, and pretty slips! I'm new at Tiffany, and new to making friends who also like dressing.

Rhonda B (RI) c/o Tiffany bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

LAURA C. (MA.)

SWM TV 6' 185 25. Interested in meeting other TVs. Enjoy poetry, photography, sports and writing. Very attractive when dressed.

Laura C (Ma) c/o Tiffany, Bx 19 Wayland Ma 01778

FORUM

The Forum is for exploring what we think, what we feel, what we say and do. It is for exploring our difficulties, our guilts and fears, and how we can overcome them. The Forum is not for fiction, or fantasy, or technical articles. Rather, it is for talk, for thought, for understanding ourselves and one another, and for sharing ourselves with others.

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COMING TOGETHER

by Elizabeth Warburton

The title, Coming Together, may be a poor choice for these thoughts; I am not referring to that particular physical-emotional explosion, as delightful as it may be. I am referring to the amalgamation of two components of an individual's personality, masculinity and femininity, functioning compatably to affect a renaissance of the individual's gender identity. In my own case, I have found that such a renaissance has brought joyous peace of mind, following several years of uncertainty.

I have been in therapy for the last sixteen months. In the beginning, I announced to my therapist that I was a transsexual, fully intending to pursue surgery. She nodded, and I began to justify my position. To me, I sounded completely rational and wondered why she did not readily accept my self-evaluation.

"Choice," she said. "You are eliminating choice and are therefore

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restricting yourself. Let's discuss possible choices available to you."

I resented this, considering it to be a waste of time, since I had already spent too many years dealing with my male sex; I was determined to alter my body to be compatible with my female gender.

I cannot pinpoint exactly when my mental vision cleared and I began to recognize the choices I had formerly denied. Somewhere along the line, I had dismissed brother Robert as being ineffectual and burdensome. Sister Elizabeth reigned supreme and would forever, once I had that liberating surgery. But just a moment, I thought, there is something terribly wrong here. Robert and Elizabeth are one and the same person; I am the significant one. Elizabeth exists because of my gender development and awareness. Robert exists because of my biological sex. These entities; rather, they are both valid expressions of who I am. Though my sex is biologically male, my gender is an amalgamation of both masculine and feminine components. One is as real as the other and neither gender can be denied. They are an integral part of me, compatible, workable, wholistic.

Realization: I am Robert, I am Elizabeth; one enhances the other, supports the other and loves the other. Both are expressions of a compatible existence and combined are me and mine. To brutally deny one or the other would desecrate wholeness; the true identity of the person who I am. In short, I am a masculine-feminine male.

Now I can laugh, I can cry, I can be aggressive, I can be docile. Most important, I am, and now can continue to be me and that is a very nice place to be.

- END -

POEMS

by Rupert Raj, B.A.
Director, Metamorphosis

GENDER EUPHORIA

(Post-op F-M TS)

Once imprisoned, now I'm free
for, a girl I used to be
till that glorious saving day
when my gender blues blew away
as I turned myself inside out
and let my masculine self shout.

"Of this human persona
(comprising animus and anima)
I am the ruling force here
yea, the cominant sphere
in short, I am the core identity
the male self in this human entity"

Thus, my transsexual trauma
(that agonizing dilemma
the cruelest conundrum)
is now resolved as I've become
the male I always was; indeed
the man I was destined to be!

NEW LADY

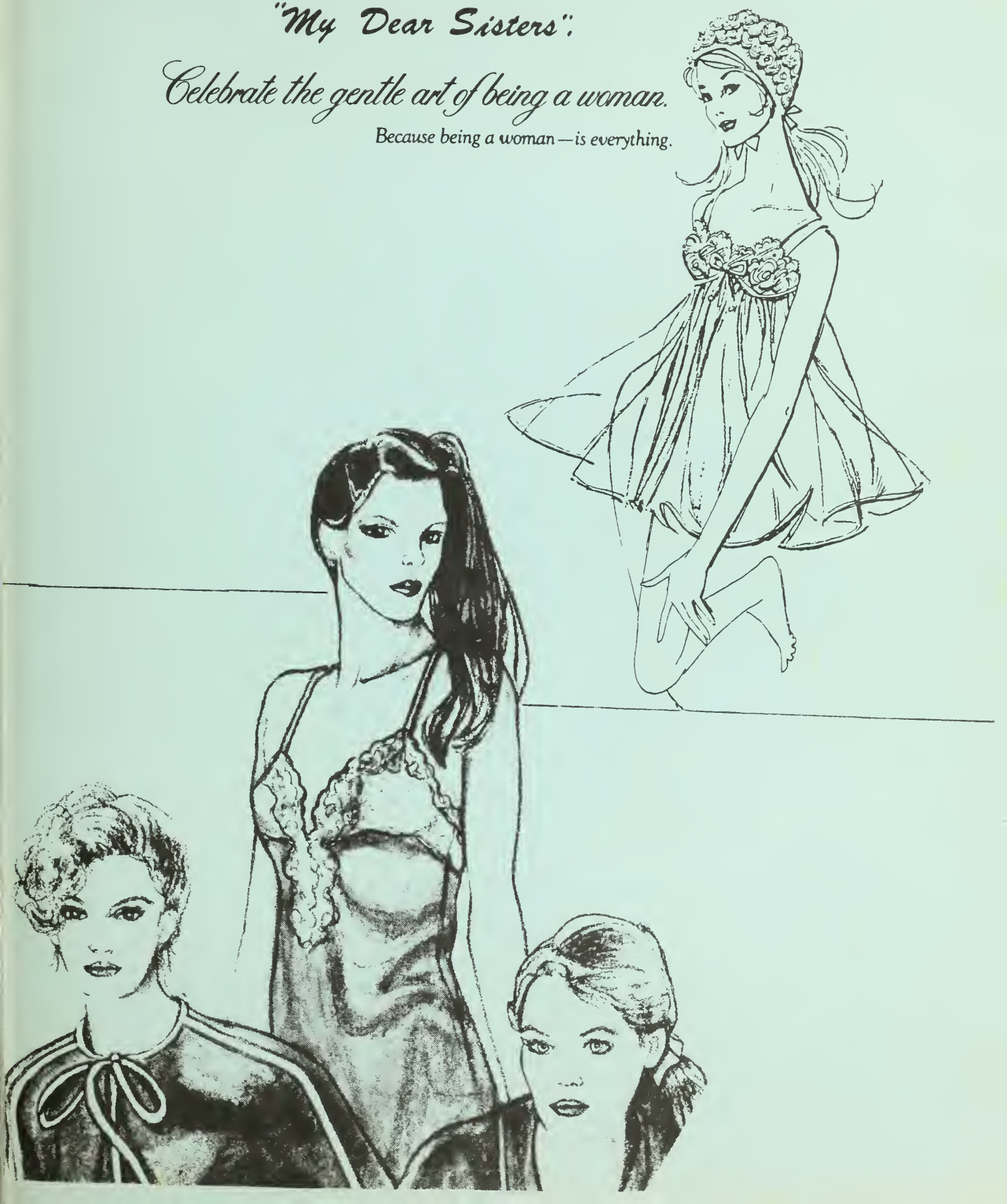
(Post-op M-F TS)

You were a lady before
But now a woman--even more
That you have a new lease on life
And are finally free--to be!

Mind and body are at least in harmony
The Yin principle now fully reigns
queen
Your budding femininity blossoms
Into a bloom of graceful lovliness.

The cocooned moth turns into a pretty
butterfly
Cinderella changes into a smiling
princess
Plain Jane becomes the beautiful
belle of the ball
Today, the radiant Ruby is a
brighter jewel.

"My Dear Sisters":

Celebrate the gentle art of being a woman.

Because being a woman—is everything.